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TAGS: UG, LI

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT TOLBERT MESSAGE TO IDI AMIN

GOL RADIO ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 8 THAT PRESIDENT W.R. TOLBERT HAS SENT A TELEGRAM TO FIELD MARSHALL IDI AMIN OF UGANDA APPEALING TO HIM TO COMMUTE THE DEATH SENTENCES OF THE TWELVE PEOPLE AWAITING EXECUTION SEPTEMBER 9 FOR PLOTTING TO ASSASSINATE HIM AND OVERTHROW HIS GOVERNMENT. IN THE TELEGRAM, PRESIDENT TOLBERT "THANKED ALLAH FOR THE TIMELY UNCOVERING OF THE DIABOLICAL PLOT" BUT ADDED THAT HE WAS MOVED " TO APPEAL TO THE UGANDAN LEADER TO SHOW A HUMANITARIAN GESTURE." TOLBERT NOTED THAT SHORTLY AFTER BECOMING HEAD OF STATE OF LIBERIA HE HAD UNCOVERED A PLOT TO ASSASSINATE HIM AND THAT THE PLOTTERS HAD BEEN TRIED, CONVICTED AND SENTENCED TO DEATH. DESPITE THE PAIN AND ANGUISH WHICH THIS MATTER HAS CAUSED HIM, TOLBERT TOLD AMIN THAT HE WAS ABLE TO BRING HIMSELF TO REPRIEVE THOSE WHO STOOD TO BE EXECUTED AND TODAY "THEY ARE FULLY REHABILITATED, LAW-ABIDING CITIZENS RENDERING VALUABLE SERVICES IN UNCLASSIFIED

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THE INTERESTS OF DEVELOPING THE LIBERIAN NATION." TOLBERT APPEALED TO AMIN "IN THE NAME OF ALLAH THE MERCIFUL, FATHER OF US ALL TO WHOM WE PRAY TO FORGIVE OUR TRESPASSES AND TO FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US, TO SERIOUSLY REFLECT UPON THIS MESSAGE IN THE GENUINELY HUMANE AND SINCERE SPIRIT IN WHICH IT IS MADE."

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